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Re: **U.S. Patent Application No. 10/069,357**
Filed: February 25, 2002
For: Phospholipid Gel
Inventors: Ibscher et al.
Our Ref: 966927-00009 (Shanks & Herbert No. 0273-0009)

Sir/Madam:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Response and Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
2. English translation of DE 40 21 082;
3. Information Disclosure Statement;
4. Form PTO 1449; and
5. One return postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0622.

Respectfully submitted,

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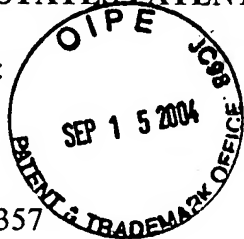
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Sir:

Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2004, setting a three-month shortened statutory period for response. Response being due on or before September 15, 2004, it is believed that no extension of time for response is necessary. If an extension of time is deemed necessary, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required thereof may be charged to our deposit account number 50-0622.

Applicants respectfully request that the above-captioned application be amended as indicated below.